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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON MONROVIA SCENARIO

REF: MONROVIA 2959

1. WE NOTE THAT AMBASSADOR AND PROTOCOL CHIEF PLAN TO BOARD AIRCRAFT ON ARRIVAL. WITH PLANE CONFIGURATION AND ARRIVAL CONFUSION WE FIND IT SIMPLER AND MUCH PREFER TO BEGIN ARRIVAL FORMALITIES AT FOOT OF RAMP. UNLESS THIS IS A VERY MAJOR POINT FOR GOL, AMBASSADOR AND CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SHOULD GREET SECRETARY AT FOOT OF RAMP. ADVISE.

2. SECRETARY WOULD PREFER OPPORTUNITY FOR PRIVATE CHAT WITH PRESIDENT AT BEGINNING OF 2:55 PM MEETING (POSSIBLE WITH NOTETAKERS). DETAILS CAN BE WORKED OUT ON ARRIVAL. OTHER OFFICIAL PARTY MEMBERS ACCOMPANYING SECRETARY FOR BROADER TALKS WILL BE AMBASSADOR CARTER, BOLEN, SCHAUFLELE, SAUNDERS, LORD AND HORAN (NOTETAKER).

3. WITH REGARD TO POSSIBLE GIFT, WE MUCH PREFER EXCHANGE BE HANDLED BETWEEN STAFFS NOT REPEAT NOT BETWEEN PRINCIPLES. DO WHAT YOU CAN TO DISCOURAGE PERSONAL EXCHANGE AND ADVISE. WOULD ALSO LIKE ASAP DESCRIPTION OF GIFT SO WE MAY BE PREPARED TO RECIPROCATATE.

4. PLEASE PROVIDE ANY OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON FACILITIES
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FOR SECRETARY'S SPEECH. ARE DINING ROOM AND PODIUM WIRED FOR

SOUND?

5. WE STILL OWE YOU COMMENTS OR CONFIRMATION ON FRIDAY CULTURAL EVENT AND SATURDAY MORNING PRESS WORK. ON LATTER POINT WE WOULD MUCH PREFER UP TO TEN MINUTES OF Q & A FOLLOWING DEPARTURE STATEMENT AT AIRPORT TO PRESS CONFERENCE AT PRESIDENTIAL GUEST HOUSE.

6. NEED URGENT REPLY TO OUR QUERY ON COMPATIBILITY OF STENCILS KINSHASA AND MONROVIA. SPEECH MAY STILL HAVE TO BE TYPED AND REPRODUCED IN MONROVIA AND POST SHOULD MAKE CONTINGENCY ARRANGEMENTS FOR FASTEST POSSIBLE HANDLING.

7. IN RESPONSE MONROVIA 2957 INVITATIONS TO TOLBERT DINNER SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO ENTIRE OFFICIAL PARTY, INCLUDING AMBASSADOR BOLEN, PLUS CHARLES HILL. ALL WILL ATTEND.

8. PLEASE SUBMIT SEPARATE BAREBONES SCHEDULE IDENTIFYING ALL PRESS AND PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES.
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